

Torrance, California
September 16, 1930.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, September 16th., 1930, and was called to order at 7:50 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Trustees were present: Trustees: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

Absent: Trustee: Maxwell.

Trustee Steiner moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 2nd., 1930, be adopted, after the following correction. "That Trustee Maxwell's name be inserted in lieu of Dennis on roll call vote taken on Resolution No. 470 and Resolution No. 471.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a card of appreciation of tribute and expression of sympathy sent by the Council, from Mrs. James M. Fitzhugh.

Clerk Bartlett was instructed to answer the card.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, under date of September 2nd., 1930, enclosing copy of resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles on September 2nd., 1930, requesting consent from the Council for the improvement of Western Avenue from 209th. Street to El Prado Avenue.

Engineer Leonard stated that this was acceptable to him.

Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 473.

GRANTING CONSENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE IMPROVEMENT BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, OF WESTERN AVENUE FROM 209TH. STREET TO EL PRADO AVENUE.

Trustee Steiner moved that Resolution No. 473 be adopted. Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Maxwell.

Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 472.

GRANTING CONSENT OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE IMPROVEMENT ALONG WESTON STREET.

Engineer Leonard stated that this was known as the South Sepulveda Project, and is open specifications.

Trustee Steiner moved that Resolution No. 472 be adopted.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Maxwell.

Attorney Briney reported with reference to agreement submitted by the California Water Service Company, relative to supplying water to fire hydrants in the Hollywood Riviera, that there was no real serious objections to the contract, but there were two or three places in which changes might well be made.

After some discussion as to quantity and pressure of water, Trustee Nelson moved that the Mayor be authorized to sign the contract of the California Water Service Company on condition that the form of contract be first approved by the Clifford F. Reid Company, the petitioner, who has requested fire hydrant service.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " Maxwell.

Engineer Leonard reported with reference to matter of construction of sidewalks across the Santa Fe Railway Company's right of way on the south side of Redondo Boulevard, that the Company will construct the sidewalk, and as there has been a settling there, the Company is going to raise the car tracks. The same situation prevails on the north side of Carson Street near the depot Engineer Leonard reported, and in so far as there is need of a sidewalk he suggested that he request this be improved if it is the wish of the Council.

Engineer Leonard was instructed to have the condition on Carson Street improved.

Oral communications were next in order.

Mr. Quandt in the audience asked the Council if they would be willing to pay him Three Dollars (\$3.00) a month per hydrant rental if he would put in all the pipe and do the work.

No action was taken.

Mr. Herbert S. Wood, Principal of the Torrance High School, spoke with reference to an ice-cream wagon on the streets in the City of Torrance, and stated that since school has opened this wagon has been parked in front of the school. In the City of Los Angeles, for a good many years, the peddling of food to students is prohibited by ordinance, within 200 feet of school property. This eliminates undesirable people in the neighborhood of schools who are profiting from school children. Mr. Wood stated that the food this man was selling might be all right, but certainly looked terrible, and he does not have any standard variety of which he knows. Mr. Wood requested the Council's consideration on this matter and either the ordinance that is now in force in Los Angeles or a new one of similar nature be adopted.

This matter was referred to the ordinance committee for further investigation.

Engineer Leonard stated that a request for the erection of an electric sign in front of Sam Rappaport's had been made. Sign to be substantially built and in line with other signs in this City.

Trustee Steiner moved that Mr. Rappaport be granted a permit to erect an electric sign.

Trustee Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Engineer Leonard brought up the subject of changing the name of Hawthorne Avenue through the City of Torrance to be known as La Brea Avenue. This change of name to be made when arrangements have been completed by the City of Inglewood, changing the name of either Market Street or Commercial Street in the City of Inglewood to La Brea Avenue and when Hawthorne Avenue through the Palos Verdes, the City of Hawthorne and County territory becomes known as La Brea Avenue making a continuous highway to be known as La Brea Avenue from Franklin Avenue in Hollywood through the Palos Verdes Estates property.

Trustee Steiner moved that the name of Hawthorne Avenue through the City of Torrance be changed to La Brea Avenue when La Brea Avenue becomes a continuous street from Franklin Avenue in Hollywood into the Palos Verdes Estates property.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Nelson stated that the C. C. M. O. have allowed the weeds to grow in their industrial tract, and these should be cut down and burnt off, also the Pacific Electric on Redondo Boulevard should burn the weeds on their property as Redondo Boulevard is one of the main boulevards into Torrance and should be kept in good condition. The Fire Department should notify these companies of the fire menace existing and order same cleared off.

Clerk Bartlett was instructed to take care of this matter.

Trustee Steiner moved that Street Superintendent be authorized to purchase the following:

One (1) Tank of Oil ----- For Street Work.

One (1) #1 and Three (3) #2 Flush Tanks.

One (1) Patching Kettle.

Trustee Nelson seconded the motion, which was duly carried by

the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Maxwell.

Trustee Nelson asked if all of the Trustees had checked over the audit report. All had not, so no action was taken.

Trustee Steiner stated that there was one recommendation in the audit report that should be followed out.

Clerk Bartlett stated that Judge Rippey had been making a monthly report.

Engineer Leonard reported that he had collected (\$529.52) from the Sunset Pacific Oil Company (Julian Oil Company) for old pipe lines laid within the City of Torrance.

Trustee Nelson asked the City Clerk to see what kind of a trade can be made on the typewriter in the Police Department when some typewriter salesman comes around, and report to the Council.

Trustee Nelson moved that warrants be drawn, for all bills, properly audited.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " Maxwell.

Trustee Bell moved that the meeting be adjourned to Monday, September 29th., 1930, at 7:45 P. M.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 P. M.

Approved:

A. H. Bancroft
 City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

John Dennis
 Mayor of the City of Torrance.